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**Box PATENT APPLICATION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Re: New U.S. Patent Appln.  
Our Ref: 225/50312

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

**Jens Bohlen; Christian Born; and Wolfgang Schuliers**

entitled: **STEERING COLUMN FOR A MOTOR VEHICLE**

Enclosed are:

1. Specification, including 35 claims and Abstract of the Disclosure (26 pages).
2. 6 Sheets of Formal drawings showing Figs. 1-4, 5a-5c and 6a-6b.
3. Declaration and Power of Attorney (**unexecuted**).
4. Information Disclosure Statement & Form PTO-1449 with 6 references.

Priority is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55 based on Priority Document 100 39 792.1, filed in Germany on August 16, 2000.

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

Basic Fee				\$355/710 =	\$710.00
Total Claims	<u>35</u>	- 20 =	<u>15</u>	x \$ 9/18 =	\$270.00
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Multiple Dependent Claim Presented				\$135/270 =	\$
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Respectfully submitted,

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